

REMARKS/ARGUMENT

Claims 7-10 and 24-27 stand objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

In order to obtain allowance of the maximum number of claims, Claim 3 has been amended to include the limitations of Claim 1 (amended to overcome Examiner's objection) and Claim 7. In placing the three claims together Applicants found it necessary for grammatical and logic reasons to delete certain words and vary other words to make the resulting claim make sense. Accordingly, Claims 3-6 and 8-14 now stand allowable being Claims 4-6 and 8-14 depend directly, or indirectly, from allowable Claim 3. Applicants respectfully request approval.

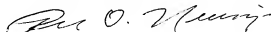
Similarly, Claim 15 has been amended to include the limitations of Claim 1 (amended to overcome Examiner's objection), Claim 15, Claim 23 and Claim 24. In placing the four claims together Applicants found it necessary for grammatical and logic reasons to delete certain words and vary other words to make the resulting claim make sense. Accordingly, Claims 15-22 and 25-27 now stand allowable being Claims 16-22 and 25-27 depend directly, or indirectly, from allowable Claim 15. Applicants respectfully request approval.

Claims 1, 2, 7, 23, 24 and 28-51 have been canceled. Accordingly, all remaining rejections are moot.

An amendment after a final rejection should be entered when it will place the case either in condition for allowance or in better form for appeal. 37 C.F.R. 1.116; MPEP 714.12. This amendment places the case in condition for allowance.

Accordingly, Claims 3-6, 8-22 and 25-27 stand allowable. Applicants respectfully request allowance of the application as the earliest possible date.

Respectfully submitted,



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